IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

July 6, 2004

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Application No.:

09/322,472

Group:

2143

Filed:

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Examiner:

William C. Vaughn, Jr.

Confirmation No.:

8046

USING A CLUSTER-WIDE SHARED REPOSITORY TO PROVIDE THE LATEST CONSISTENT DEFINITION OF THE CLUSTER (AVOIDING THE PARTITION-IN-TIME PROBLEM)

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Technology Center 2100

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

- [] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- [] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

(COL. 1)			(COL. 2)	(COL. 3)		
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	,	PRE	HEST NO. EVIOUSLY AID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA		
TOTAL	67	MINUS	*	53	14		
INDEP	14	MINUS	**	11	3		
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM							

SMALL ENTITY

OWN REE ENTITY					
R	ATE	ADDIT. FEE			
х	\$ 9	\$			
х	\$43	\$			
+	\$145	\$			

OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY

RATE		ADDIT. FEE		
х	\$18	\$	252	
х	\$86	\$	258	
+	\$290	\$		

<u>OR</u>

not fewer than 20

** not fewer than 3

TOTAL =\$ 0

TOTAL =\$ 510

Please char	ge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 for the following fees:			
[]	Petition for [] month Extension of Time		\$_	
[]	Amendment Fee		\$_	
[]	Other Fees:			
			\$_	
			\$_	
		TOTAL:	\$_	. 0
A check is	enclosed in payment of the following fees:			
[X]	Petition for two-month Extension of Time		\$_	420
[X]	Amendment Fee		\$_	510
[X]	Other Fees:			
	Supplement Information Disclosure Statement		\$_	180
			\$_	218
		TOTAL:	\$	1110

[X] A general authorization is hereby granted to charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 for any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 in order to maintain pendency of this application. A copy of this authorization is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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